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Charges laid over feeding of pot bears

Man charged for allegedly feeding bears large amounts of dog food ◐ Animals found surrounding fields of pot plants ◐ Man to appear in court Dec. 14

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A Southern Interior man accused of using bears to guard a marijuana grow-op has been charged with one count of feeding dangerous wildlife.

In August, police found nine black bears around two plots containing about 1,200 marijuana plants when called to the property to dismantle an outdoor grow-op.

Christina Lake resident Allan Wayne allegedly fed the bears large quantities of dog food to make them docile. Drug-related charges have not been laid.

Wildlife conservation officers believe that as many as 26 bears were frequenting the property in search of food.

The penalties for feeding dangerous wildlife can be as high as $100,000, with a possibility of up to a year of imprisonment for a first offence.

Most of the dining bears have gone into hibernation for the winter, which saves them from having to be killed.

Officials continued to feed the bears but slowly reduced the amount of food, allowing them to return to the wild without wandering into local residences in search of food.

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▶ Bears surround a grow-op at Christina Lake, near Grand Forks.

Bringing the outside in

▶ Police had also found a pig roaming the house and a racoon napping in one of the bedrooms during the August raid.

Christmas. Market

▶ Malte Kluetz, the man behind the Vancouver Christmas Market, at the venue near Georgia and Hamilton streets yesterday. Story, page 4.

KRISTEN THOMPSON/METRO

Saying *Willkommen* to the holidays

The market, which opens at 11 a.m. today, is modelled on traditional German Christmas markets and features hearty food, warm drinks and a variety of merchandise. It runs until Christmas Eve.

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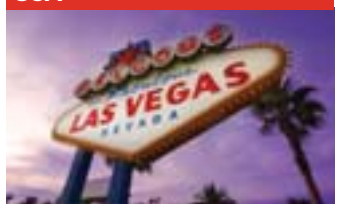

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Boy, 3, held hostage at knifepoint

Vancouver police officers surrounded a community centre where a man was believed to have been holding a three-year-old boy hostage late last night.

Witnesses say the man walked into the Ray-Cam Community Centre, located in the city's Downtown Eastside, with a large knife and began yelling.

They say he grabbed the boy who was sitting next to his mother and ran down to the centre's basement.

The man apparently did not know the child beforehand. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Kitsilano Beach. Deep chill

▶ Sub-zero temperatures didn't keep Jerome Payet and his dog, Tieka, from playing fetch at Kitsilano Beach yesterday.

KRISTEN THOMPSON/METRO

Baby, it's really cold outside

An unprecedented cold snap has swept through the Lower Mainland, bringing record lows. Despite the sunshine, it dipped to around –9 C yesterday. Milder weather is in the forecast for the end of the week.

▶ Housing Minister Rich Coleman

Funding for new shelters

The province is providing $1.5 million to fund four Vancouver seasonal shelters in early December.

The new shelters are add-ons to the supportive housing developments scheduled to be completed by the end of 2011, said Housing Minister Rich Coleman.

Shelter whereabouts have yet to be confirmed, but the city is looking at the same locations as last year — Kitsilano, Mount Pleasant, Northeast False Creek and the West End. **KIMIYA SHOKOOHI**

Beware of burst pipes

Metro Vancouver's record-breaking cold snap expected to include a -9 C night tonight ◐ Fixing burst pipes can cost more than $350

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Cold water not running? Your house might have a burst water pipe that could cause flooding as temperatures rise later this week.

Burst pipes are the most common plumbing problem in winter, said Doug Juniper, service manager at Hillcrest Plumbing in Vancouver, adding that Hillcrest's plumbers fix three or four burst pipes per week during the cold months.

Pipes are especially prone to break when people leave their garden hoses attached to outdoor hose tap, he said."Water will creep up and freeze inside," Juniper said.

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Since Monday Hillcrest has fixed about eight burst pipes caused by Metro Vancouver's recent cold snap, but as temperatures increase, they expect a flood of customers complaining of leaks.

Unfortunately, many people only realize their pipes have burst after water from the broken pipes thaws and floods their basement.

Tips

Freeze pipe bursts in their tracks:

1. Disconnect your garden hose and drain your outdoor taps
2. Keep your house warm and well-insulated
3. Cover crawl space and air intake vents

More mental illness spending needed: NDP

Vancouverites need to "put the pressure on" the province's next premier in order to open an urgent response centre for the city's mentally ill, NDP health critic Adrian Dix declared yesterday.

Speaking to reporters outside St. Paul's Hospital, Dix accused the Liberal government of having made little progress towards implementing the recommendations of a 2008 VPL report, which characterized Vancouver as a city that "has not kept pace" in addressing the needs of its substantial mentally ill population. **J.J. MCCULLOUGH**

J.J. MCCULLOUGH/FOR METRO

▶ Adrian Dix

News in brief

Forum on missing rescheduled

DTES. A community forum on the missing Downtown Eastside women has been rescheduled for Jan. 19 in Vancouver and Jan. 21 in Prince George. The forums give a voice to people affected by the tragedy of missing and murdered women. **KRISTEN THOMPSON**

UBC to honour Payette

DEGREE. Canadian astronaut Julie Payette will receive an honorary degree from UBC tomorrow. Payette went to space in 1999 and 2009.

Don't forget your pets

COLD WEATHER. The B.C. SPCA is urging pet owners to bring their animals indoors when it gets cold outside. **STEPHANIE ORFORD**

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Catholic priest charged with trying to hire hit man to kill teen accuser. Scan code for the story.

▶ A woman walks past a giant gingerbread house in the Hyatt Regency Vancouver's lobby yesterday.

KRISTEN THOMPSON/METRO

A holiday-themed diorama-rama

Gingerbread Lane, an annual contest and fundraiser featuring dozens of dioramas made from gingerbread and sweets, is open to the public today and runs until Dec. 27. Proceeds benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Holiday cheer, German-style

Marketplace opens at 11 a.m. today and runs until Christmas Eve ◐ Admission: $5 for adults, $2 for youth

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A 700-year-old German tradition has found its way to the West Coast with today's opening of the first Vancouver Christmas Market.

The festive outdoor village outside Queen Elizabeth Theatre features illuminated wooden huts selling Bavarian food and drinks — including bratwurst and mulled wine — as well as hand-made gifts and Christmas goods.

Malte Kluetz, president of the market, said he was inspired to bring a Christmas village to Vancouver after seeing how people were brought together by the Olympics.

"What really struck me was how people embraced all these different cultures," Kluetz said. "We can't bring the Olympics back every year but we hope this market becomes a tradition."

He said Christmas markets have been a part of German culture for 700 years and every village in the country hosts one.

"There's a huge opportunity for Vancouver, over time, to become a destination."

Über market

- The Vancouver Christmas Market features an array of hearty food, including Swiss raclette, suckling pig, crepes, gingerbread and baked potato.

Quaids relish holiday in Vancouver

STEPHANIE ORFORD/FOR METRO

▶ Stephanie Orford

Randy Quaid will remain in Vancouver for at least another month as his lawyer sorts through mounds of paperwork, regarding whether the actor will be allowed to stay in Canada.

An Immigration and Refugee Board adjudicator yesterday set the actor's next hearing for Dec. 22, with more hearings likely early next year.

"It's not our first Christmas in Vancouver, but we're looking forward to it," said Quaid.

For now, he said, he's "killing time."

Quaid declined to comment on why he and his wife, Evi, gave up a total of $1 million in bail by failing to appear before a California court.

The couple has been accused of vandalism, including squatting in a house they used to own, according to The Los Angeles Times.

STEPHANIE ORFORD

Province won't share RCMP audit

The B.C. Civil Liberties Association is demanding the province release the findings of an audit into RCMP services, but the solicitor general says releasing the information could jeopardize the ongoing talks over a new contract for provincial policing.

Rich Coleman said yesterday the audit will eventually be released, but not until negotiations are over.

"It's in draft form, so it's not completed yet," Coleman said.

"Since we're the lead negotiators for the contract with the other provinces, and it's not in a final form, it hasn't been released yet. When it's in final form and it won't compromise any of the negotiations, we'll release it."

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City sets Olympic record

Vancouverites set a sustainable-travel record when they left their cars parked during the Olympics, according to a UBC study released yesterday.

The findings show 61 per cent of commutes to and from downtown Vancouver were made without cars.

KIMIYA SHOKOOHI

Death raises questions

A suspicious death in an Agassiz prison has raised the possibility of homicide, local RCMP confirmed yesterday. Homicide investigators were summoned after staff at the Mountain Correctional Institution discovered the body of inmate Jeremy Michael Phillips.

J.J. MCCULLOUGH

Should ministers multitask?

Solicitor General Rich Coleman says ministers don't have to give up their jobs to seek the premier's seat.

He noted when the New Democrats were in government, almost all of those running remained in their cabinet posts.

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Cops to sell $235K impounded Ferrari

Nearly two months after his car was first seized, a Vancouver speed racer's confiscated Ferrari will be sold for $235,000, local RCMP announced yesterday.

Impounded by North Van Mounties in September after being caught speeding 140 kilometres per hour above the posted limit through the city's winding Mt. Seymour Road, the car is estimated to be the most expensive vehicle ever impounded under the terms of the B.C. Civil Forfeiture Act. The driver, a 21-year-old Vancouver native, will receive only 30 per cent of the sale revenue, with the remainder going to the car's other part owner — who was uninvolved in the incident — and the province.

COURTESY RCMP

▶ This Ferrari was seized by the RCMP this fall.

According to the B.C. solicitor general's office, in the four years since the province's forfeiture laws were revised, the province has seized more than $13 million worth of assets involved in crimes.

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Forfeiture

- The Forfeiture Act gives province the right to seize "property that has been used to engage in unlawful activity."
- The province can choose to auction or sell impounded goods; the Ferrari is being sold to a dealership.

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Polygamy laws don't target women: Lawyer

Canada's prohibition against polygamy does not criminalize women who have multiple husbands, a lawyer for the B.C. government said yesterday.

Craig Jones told court the law was intended to only prohibit men from marrying multiple women.

Jones offered his admittedly "controversial" interpretation — one that stands at odds with even the federal government — at a constitutional reference case examining whether Canada's anti-polygamy laws violate the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

The hearings were spurred by the controversy over the fundamentalist breakaway mormon sect of Bountiful, where two leaders were charged with polygamy last year only to see those charges dropped on technical legal grounds.

Jones said the harms associated with polygamy — including child brides and the discrimination of women — are specific to the most common form of polygamy known as polygyny, which involves men having multiple wives and is the form of polygamy practised in Bountiful. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

Man found with gunshot wound

NEW WESTMINSTER. A man was taken to hospital in New Westminster after being found with an apparent gunshot wound. Police were called to Cameron Street on Monday night after receiving a 911 call. The victim has not been identified.

Death was from natural causes

WEST VANCOUVER. An autopsy has found that a man found dead in Ambleside Park in West Vancouver died of natural causes. The 57-year-old man was found slumped over in the driver seat of his car on Nov. 19.

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Obama drops the gauntlet as Koreas face off

'We strongly affirm our commitment to defend South Korea' North warns of more military strikes

U.S. President Barack Obama yesterday pledged the United States would defend South Korea after what the White House branded an outrageous attack by North Korea.

"South Korea is our ally. It has been since the Korean war," Obama said in his first comments about the North Korean shelling of a South Korean island.

"And we strongly affirm our commitment to defend South Korea as part of that alliance."

Obama met with his top national security advisers to discuss next steps.

North and South Korea exchanged artillery fire yesterday along their disputed frontier, raising tensions between the rivals to their highest level in more than a decade.

The communist nation warned of more military strikes if the South encroaches on the maritime border by "even 0.001 millimetre."

Working to head off any escalation, the U.S. did not reposition any of its 29,000 troops in the South or make other military moves.

The emergency began when North Korea warned the South to halt military drills near their sea border.

When Seoul refused and began firing artillery into disputed waters — but away from the North Korean shore — the North retaliated by shelling the small island of Yeonpyeong, which houses South Korean military installations and a small civilian population.

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PM speaks out

- Prime Minister Stephen Harper "strongly condemned" the attack, calling it "the latest in a series of aggressive and provocative actions" by the communist dictatorship.

Cambodia. Day of mourning

▶ News too much to bear: Women cry after a relative is confirmed dead after Monday's stampede in Phnom Penh, the Cambodian capital.

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A nation weeps for its dead

Rescuers trawled a muddy river in Cambodia for more bodies yesterday and the country prepared for a day of mourning tomorrow following a stampede by thousands of festival-goers that left at least 378 people dead and hundreds injured. Cambodia's prime minister called it the nation's biggest tragedy since the murderous 1970s reign of the Khmer Rouge that left 1.7 million dead.

N.Z. miners presumed dead

All 29 workers missing underground in a New Zealand coal mine are believed to have died after a second explosion, police said.

Police Supt. Gary Knowles said the second explosion occurred mid-afternoon Wednesday local time, almost exactly five days after the first blast in the Pike River mine.

Potentially explosive methane gas had been swirling in the mine since the initial blast, keeping rescuers from entering to search for 29 men unaccounted for.

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Suspended priest sought riches on the side

Hail Father Jerry

- Parishioners speak warmly of Rev. Geraldo Pinero as a hardworking, devoted pastor known as Father Jerry. He's a U.S. citizen born into a Puerto Rican family.

A Roman Catholic priest suspended after U.S. federal agents seized a computer from his Philadelphia rectory has long sought riches online — where he sports a tuxedo and calls himself "Jerry from Philly."

Rev. Geraldo Pinero endorses several so-called multilevel marketing companies on Facebook, blogs and other online posts that include his real name, photo and parish address.

The 46-year-old pastor also appears, without a religious collar, wearing a sweater or velvet blazer and talking about his goal of earning "extra income on the side."

He promises recruits they can make thousands of dollars a month selling candles or life coaching or other services.

"Many folks are struggling financially during these very difficult economic times. This is why I have gotten involved in some unique, legit and effective money-making programs — to help us get out of this awful financial rut," Pinero said in hawking the candles.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia bans priests from such secular work, spokesperson Donna Farrell said.

Officials at the archdiocese were unaware of Pinero's online activities, she added.

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Top soldier faces trial in sex case

Brig.-Gen Menard was Canada's task force boss in Afghanistan

The Canadian military says it will proceed with a court martial of one of its former mission commanders in Afghanistan over an alleged sexual affair with a subordinate while in the theatre of war.

The Canadian Forces director of military prosecutions says he has reviewed the case and Brig.-Gen. Daniel Menard will face charges of inappropriate conduct.

Menard's subordinate, Master Cpl. Bianka Langlois, was convicted in a summary trial Sept. 28 of one count of conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline.

She was reprimanded and fined $700.

Menard, a 26-year army veteran, was Canada's task force commander in Afghanistan at the time of the alleged affair.

A married father of two, he was removed from his post in June and ordered home in disgrace.

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Menard's choice

- Brig.-Gen. Daniel Menard will be tried on two counts of conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline and four counts of obstructing justice.
- Under military law, Menard has a choice between facing trial by military judge alone or by a military judge and a five-member panel of officers.

Montreal. Anger on the streets

▶ Demonstrators march through downtown Montreal yesterday in a protest against the Quebec budget.

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A case of budget blues

The Quebec government's budget sparked protests yesterday. The budget proposes the gradual introduction, over two years, of a 15 per cent sales tax — after harmonization of the Quebec sales tax with the federal goods and services tax.

Minister: Edmonton fair bid didn't add up

Canada's public works minister says high security costs at two major events in the country this year were behind a federal decision not to put money toward Edmonton's bid to host the 2017 world's fair.

"(With) the lessons we've learned from the G8/G20 (summits) and the (Vancouver) Olympics, we made the decision that this was not something we wanted to move forward on," Rona Ambrose, who is also an Edmonton-area MP, said yesterday.

Federal Heritage Minister James Moore rejected a funding request from the city in a letter to Mayor Stephen Mandel that was made public Monday.

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Decision is final

- Ambrose said there's no chance of a Canadian bid for the 2017 world's fair being revived.

Daily drug boosts hope in HIV fight

A new way of using an existing HIV medication is generating a buzz of hope in the battle to curb AIDS.

An international study has found that taking a daily dose of the antiretroviral drug Truvada significantly cut the odds of infection in gay and bisexual men who engage in risky sexual practices.

"The greatest protection comes with consistent use," said Dr. Robert Grant of the Gladstone Institute in California.

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44 The study of almost 2,500 men found that taking the daily pill reduced the risk of infection by about 44 per cent.

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24 Sussex joins fight for women in Iran

Laureen Harper hosted human-rights activists and Canada's top television anchors at 24 Sussex Drive to discuss women's rights in Iran.

The informal, round-table discussion was led by Indigo president Heather Reisman, an outspoken critic of human-rights abuses in Iran.

Harper, the prime minister's wife, and Reisman have teamed repeatedly this year to protest the death sentence imposed on 43-year-old Iranian widow Sakineh Mohammadi Ashtiani.

Mohammadi Ashtiani was convicted after appearing on TV to confess to her husband's murder, and was sentenced to death by stoning.

But that sentence was changed to hanging after a massive international outcry.

She remains in prison.

The woman's lawyer has said she was tortured before her confession.

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Kin faces murder rap

A young Ontario woman who appeared to be a victim in a brutal home invasion in which her parents were shot multiple times is now charged with first-degree murder in her mother's death.

Jennifer Pan, 24, is alleged to have conspired with three armed men who held the family hostage north of Toronto.

The three men are still at large and are considered armed and dangerous.

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Space war blowing up

A Las Vegas company that has been developing an inflatable space station is trying to entice Canadian astronauts to hop aboard.

Bigelow Aerospace says it's working on a commercial space complex that will have the strength of a Kevlar bullet-proof vest.

A company representative was in Ottawa last weekend, lobbying officials at the annual summit of the Canadian Space Society.

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Unemployment negatively impacts happiness, study finds Rural residents have deeper sense of belonging

A new study of life satisfaction in Canada finds that among the provinces, Prince Edward Island takes the happiness crown.

The study, released yesterday by the Centre for the Study of Living Standards, found that on a scale of one to five, the average level of happiness among Canadians aged 20 and over was 4.26 in 2007-08.

At the provincial level, life satisfaction was highest in P.E.I. at 4.33 and lowest in Ontario at 4.23.

Andrew Sharpe, the centre's executive director, said P.E.I. had a number of factors going in its favour that resulted in a slightly higher level of happiness than the national average.

Glad to be here?

Breaking down Canada's major cities on a happiness scale of one to five.

- Calgary — 4.33
- Halifax — 4.32
- Ottawa/Gatineau — 4.29
- Edmonton — 4.26
- Montreal — 4.26
- Vancouver — 4.20
- Toronto — 4.15

These included a strong sense of community belonging, less stress and fewer recent immigrants.

"We all know that (immigrants) suffer from high unemployment or they often are underemployed or they basically are out of the labour force completely because they've just given up," Sharpe said.

While happier in general, individuals with higher incomes do not necessarily have more joy in their lives.

"If all your co-workers get a raise and you don't, you're not going to be as happy, whereas if you basically suffer a decline in income, your boss cuts your wages but he cuts everyone else's wages (so) that they're about the same, there's no real difference," Sharpe said.

The study was based on data gathered by the Canadian Community Health Survey from Statistics Canada.

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Troubled. Tradition

Scottish soccer fans with their Scottish kilts pose for a photo in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in this 2005 file photo. The tradition comes from the clansmen warriors of the Highlands who wore little but long kilts.

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Famed plaid dress put to the test

A true Scotsman is said to never wear anything under his kilt. But now Scots are being warned that the sartorial tradition could be both indecent and unhygienic. The organization charged with standards in Highland dress has backed kilt-rental firms who say the age-old custom of "going commando" has got to go.

82 Chiefs and councillors make more than the prime minister's $317,000 yearly salary, Canadian Taxpayers Federation documents show.

Unfair, chiefs say

Some First Nations leaders in Atlantic Canada said the figures, released by the federation Monday, regarding band council salaries lack context and paints them unfairly.

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Young men new poster kids for poverty: Study

Lack of access to benefits, new jobs, housing all playing a role

The recession has left a lingering bruise on an increasingly vulnerable sector of Canadian society: young, single men.

John Stapleton, a social policy researcher has just completed an exhaustive study of social assistance during the recession, for the Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation.

Stapleton has sifted through welfare data from five provinces representing 79 per cent of the country's population, and found that the recession has revealed two key trends.

The good news, he writes in his draft paper, is that federal and provincial programs for families have helped single mothers deal with poverty.

The opposite is true for young, single men. In Ontario, the number in this group on welfare has risen 61 per cent in nine years, to 148,000 from 92,000.

Similar increases were found in British Columbia, and Quebec, among other provinces. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Welfare woes

According to John Stapleton's study...

- Many of the young men relying on welfare are visible minorities, who often have low levels of education and trouble with business English and numeracy.
- Typically, their welfare payments are about a third of what they would be paid if they had a steady minimum-wage job, putting them far below the

Colorado. Pay what you can

▶ Cathy Matthews, executive director of Cafe 180 in Englewood, Colo., greets her customers.

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Trade labour for lunch

Cafe 180 is a restaurant that allows its customers to pay whatever they can afford, or even volunteer to work in exchange for food. The cafe, which opened in August, is one of several such restaurants that have opened around the U.S. in recent years.

Christmas brings glad sales tidings

North American consumers are showing signs of emerging from hibernation in time for Christmas, pushing up inflation in Canada to a new two-year high and improving growth prospects for both economies.

Canada's inflation rate rose a surprising half-point to 2.5 per cent in October. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shopping spree

- In conjunction with price firmness, Statistics Canada also reported yesterday that retail sales jumped 0.6 per cent in September as consumers bought more cars and spent more on sporting goods, clothing, books and music.

iPhone app for film buffs

Movie-goers can soon use their smartphone to buy tickets for a flick at a Cineplex Entertainment theatre. Starting today, apps for the BlackBerry and iPhone can search for nearby theatres, call up movie schedules and purchase tickets.

There is no service charge for mobile ticket buying. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market moment

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IT'S OFFICIAL: DOGS SMARTER THAN CATS

Just sayin'

PAUL SULLIVAN

Stop the presses!

We've got the answer to the question that vexed the ancients: Which are smarter, dogs or cats?

The answer is dogs.

Before you cough up a hairball, we've got scientific evidence to support this outrageous (if you're a cat lover) claim.

Oxford University scientists studied the brains of 500 species of mammals, both alive and extinct, going back 60 million years, and discovered that the brains of social animals such as monkeys, horses, dolphins, camels, and dogs have grown faster than the brains of solitary mammals, like deer, rhinos … and cats.

They appear to have a lot of time on their hands at Oxford University.

Of course, if you're a cat, you won't care. You'll just stare that cat stare, then walk away refusing to return until somebody feeds you. It doesn't matter who, as long as it's your favourite food. And only your favourite food.

If you're a dog, you'll jump up and down, and by wagging your tail and barking, you'll signal your enthusiastic assent to anything humans come up with, even pointy-headed Oxford scientists, as long as it involves going out and chasing something. It's also good if it involves snacks.

"Of course, if you're a cat, you won't care. You'll just stare that cat stare, then walk away refusing to return until somebody feeds you."

It doesn't seem to matter if you're a dog or a cat or a camel, for that matter, snacks are good.

You should know I'm a dog person. Oh, and I'm also a cat person. I'm pretty good on monkeys, horses, dolphins, and deer, too, but I draw the line at rhinos. My house is a rhino-free zone. We don't allow camels, either.

Seriously, why does it matter? My grand-dog Shorty is an English bulldog, and on that list of canine intelligence, English bulldogs rank No. 104 out of 108 breeds. Yet, we all love Shorty, who makes up for his lack of RAM by being the most single-minded animal in the household. He can have hours of endless fun pulling at the other end of anything in his jaws. And because he's bred to pull down 1,500-pound raging bovines, he always wins. But he still wants to play and will still want to play at 3:30 tomorrow morning.

You have to admire his complete dedication, even when you're begging for relief.

This debate will never be resolved, as most people have documentary evidence that Fluffy the Cat or Bailey the Dog is smarter than your average Oxford University scientist.

And like Shorty, they never get tired of playing the game.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

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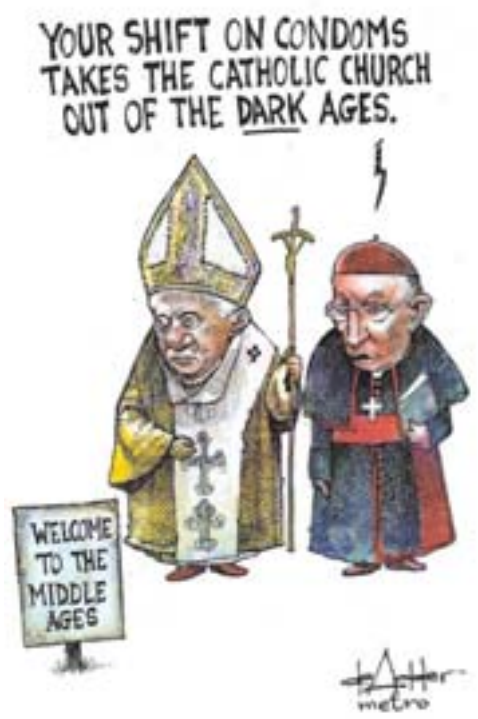

A different perspective

Worth mentioning

A New York University arts professor might not have eyes in the back of his head, but he's coming pretty close.

Wafaa Bilal, a visual artist widely recognized for his interactive and performance pieces, had a small digital camera implanted in the back of his head — all in the name of art. He will wear the camera for one year.

Bilal said yesterday that he underwent the procedure for an art project that was commissioned by a new museum in Doha, Qatar, in the Persian Gulf.

Titled The 3rd I, it is one of 23 contemporary works commissioned for the opening of the Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art on Dec. 30. The exhibition is entitled Told/Untold/Retold.

The project will raise "important social, esthetic, political, technological and artistic questions," Bilal said.

He declined to say when the camera was implanted or other details of the art installation, saying it "will be revealed to the public as part of the museum preview on Dec. 15" and on a website to be launched on the same day, www.3rdi.me. He said he chose to have it put in the back of his head as an allegorical statement about the things we don't see and leave behind.

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The 3rd I

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Metro Minute at Globalization, eh?

The Vancouver Public Library is holding a forum on the history and global effect of the United Nations' Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples at noon today.

Shelley Wright, aboriginal studies instructor at Langara College, heads the free forum at the main branch as part of Langara's weekly lecture series titled Globalization, eh?

The forum will feature some of the poorest and least recognized groups — the Inuit of the Arctic, the Yanomamo of the Amazon Basin, the Maasai of East Africa — and their contributions to humanity.

The declaration was adopted by the UN in 2007.

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Pink celebrates her greatest hits

Amid news of impending motherhood, Pink releases a retrospective greatest hits CD Says being a mom won't stop her from touring

While Pink's impending motherhood is garnering her plenty of ink, she's got something else to celebrate - 10 years in the music business.

The 31-year-old singer recently released Greatest Hits ... So Far!!! that chronicles her growth from a potent, big-voiced R&B star to dynamic pop singer and performer.

It comes after a year in which she has gotten the most acclaim of her career, including raves for her acrobatic, levitating performance at this year's Grammy Awards.

How does it feel to release a retrospective at this point in your career?

I definitely had mixed feelings. (Laughs.) You know what? I'm happier now than I was when it was first being talked about. I had been putting it off for years, although that sounds pretty funny. I don't feel old enough, I guess.

What made you decide to finally do it?

At the end of the day, when I get out of my own way, which is what I had to do, it's something to really be proud of, because when I was a little girl, all I wanted to do was make one hit record. To be able to put out an album full of them is pretty damn special.

"As soon as the baby can say 'mama', I'm going on the road."
PINK

Over the last year, you've gotten more acclaim. What's your reaction?

I've been busting my (butt) in Europe and Australia and pretty much everywhere else outside of this country for 10 years playing stadiums and arenas ... and then you come here and play clubs, which is kinda rad because I live here and I like being left alone.

But also to constantly still be hearing people go, "Wow, she can really sing." ... I don't know, it's a constant battle, but it keeps me motivated, and the Grammys was that moment where I felt like finally I had been given my due a little bit.

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▶ Pink performs onstage at the Wireless Festival in Hyde Park, London.

Brody lawsuit

A federal judge in Los Angeles has blocked the makers of a thriller film starring Adrien Brody from using the Oscar-winning actor's likeness until he is fully paid for his role. U.S. District Judge Dale S. Fischer issued a ruling this week blocking the makers of Giallo from continuing to distribute, market or sell Giallo in the United States. Brody sued last month before the film went on sale in the states, claiming he was owed $640,000 US.

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Burlesque
Director: Steve Antin
Genre: Musical
Stars: Christina Aguilera, Cher, Eric Dane, Kristen Bell, Alan Cumming
●●
The thing about Burlesque is that it's not quite good enough, and it's not quite bad enough. When you're going for a glitzy backstage showbiz flick, you've got Cabaret on one end and Showgirls on the other. Burlesque lands somewhere in between — and awkwardly at that. And for a flashy, colourful, big-budget musical, it's really, really boring. The real problem is the story, which is so sugar-coated and warm and fuzzy that even the villain (Eric Dane) and the prickly diva-in-chief (Kristen Bell) aren't really so bad. In the end, given the big musical numbers and thorough lack of conflict, riskiness or teeth, the primary audience that will likely fully embrace Burlesque is theater-happy middle-schoolers.
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Love and Other Drugs
Director: Edward Zwick
Genre: Romantic Comedy
Stars: Jake Gyllenhaal, Anne Hathaway, Oliver Platt
●½
A slick talking and morally compromised drug rep specializing in Viagra falls for a sassy young artist with Parkinson's Disease. Impossibly snappy dialogue, dirty jokes, gratuitous nudity, and disease-of-the-week sentimentalism combine for an extraordinarily awkward blend that feels like the screenplays for three different failed romcoms jammed together into a single outing. PHIL BROWN

Tangled
Directors: Nathan Greno, Bryan Howard
Stars: Mandy Moore, Zachary Levi, Donna Murphy
●●●
There's something undeniably old-fashioned about the latest Disney animated feature and thankfully that's a good thing.
Tangled is a heartwarming return to fairy tales for Disney with a CGI sheen supervised by Pixar's John Lasseter.
A solid dose of comic relief led by a hilarious sword-wielding horse keeps the script feeling fresh amidst the admittedly predictable fairy tale structure.
PHIL BROWN

Faster
Genre: Action
Director: George Tillman Jr.
Stars: Dwayne Johnson
●●●
Given its cars-and-guns theme and the fact that it stars Dwayne Johnson, Faster feels like it should be a lot more fun than it is.
That's not to say it isn't still something of a good time.
But George Tillman Jr.'s high-octane revenge tale is surprisingly dour, with a lot more talk about morality and mortality than you'd expect from your average muscled action flick.
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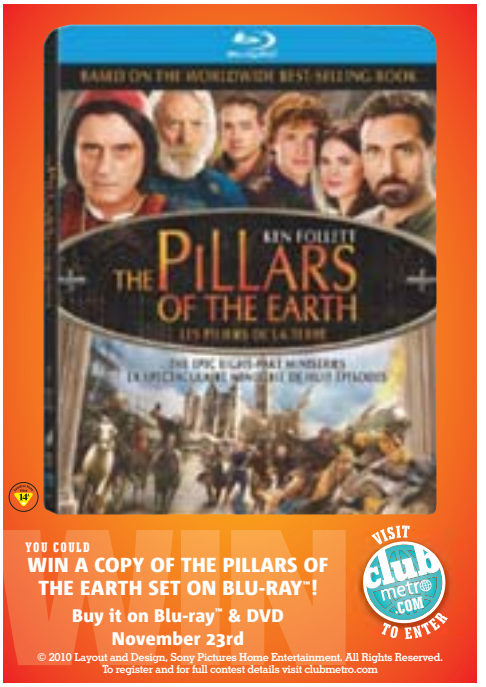
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The royal wedding date is...

Couple will marry in spring

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▶ Prince William & Kate Middleton will marry in April.

Prince William and Kate Middleton have set a date for their wedding.

The'll marry on April 29, 2011 in London's Westminster Abby.

The announcement was made on the royal family's official Twitter account.

Meanwhile, Prince Harry is reportedly planning the couple's engagement party with a hip-hop theme. METRO

Celebrity tweets

Steve Martin [@SteveMartinToGo] I feel sorry for followers who just joined.

Katy Perry [@katyperry] Silly press check it: I was the one who asked VH1 to tone down my DIGITALIZED image on the poster, particularly the size of my chest...

Kanye West [@kanyewest] I've finally realized as long as you use profanity when you talk about art and fashion it's better accepted!!!

Momsen's bad behaviour

Gossip Girl star Taylor Momsen's on-set behaviour has reportedly gotten so unpleasant that the she has been placed on indefinite hiatus from the series. Momsen also isn't expected to appear again this season following next week's episode, according to Deadline Hollywood.

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- The acclaimed novel Barney's Version is set to make its big screen debut in December
- The story is set in the author's hometown of Montreal, where you can retrace the steps of the main character — which often overlapped those of Richler

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▶Ziggy Eichenbaum, owner of Ziggy's bar, where Richler often met with his agent.

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▶Author Mordecai Richler in Montreal in 1983. The city serves as one of the locations in his book Barney's Version, which is being turned into a movie.

Mordecai Richler's visions of Montreal...

Up for a little literary tourism? Walk a mile in Barney Panofsky's shoes.

He's the main character in Mordecai Richler's acclaimed novel Barney's Version, which hits the big screen on Christmas Eve.

And here's the good news: If you want to follow in the footsteps of Richler himself, Panofsky's haunts overlap with those of the award-winning, best-selling Canadian literary icon.

Barney's Version, which will see Paul Giamatti in the title role, is also set in Europe and New York.

But there's also plenty of action in Montreal, which happens to be Richler's hometown.

In fact, if you do the pub crawl to Richler's (and Panofsky's) favourite bars maybe you'll hear a tidbit about the internationally famous author.

Margo MacGillivray slings drinks behind the bar at the Sir Winston Churchill Pub on Crescent Street where Richler, and Panofsky, were fixtures.

"He included us in Barney's Version and he quoted a few of the regulars," she said.

Across the street is Ziggy's Pub, which is referred to as Richler's second living room. It's a spot where he often met his agent.

"He came up with a few ideas here," says owner Ziggy Eichenbaum.

"He used to enjoy smoked meat sandwiches from Schwartz's and we got it delivered by a cab.

Another bar, Grumpy's, is a block over and figures prominently in the movie.

Panofsky hung out there and Richler shared a celebratory scotch with Robert Lantos, who produced Barney's Version, when they got honourary doctorates from McGill University in 2000.

"We used streets like Sherbrooke Street and Mountain Street and Grumpy's, which was Mordecai's favourite bar," Lantos recalled.

"The landmarks were really important to give the film authenticity and a sense of reality."

Le Mas des Oliviers was one of Richler's favourite restaurants, recalls William Weintraub, an author and journalist who was Richler's friend for 50 years.

The bar strip lies a walk from the home of Panofsky and Richler on Sherbrooke Street.

Both men hung their hats behind the imposing walls of Le Chateau apartments, which looks like an ancient fort.

It sits across the street from the posh Ritz-Carlton hotel, currently under renovation, which provided a key scene in Barney's Version as well as a hangout for the author.

"Mordecai is famous for having gone there all the time and having lunch with his wife and others, especially when he was living across the street," said Ari Lantos, a producer on Barney's Version.

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If you go

Visit these Barney's Version locations:

- Sir Winston Churchill Pub Complex: 1455-1459 Crescent St.
- Grumpy's Bar: 1242 Rue Bishop
- Ziggy's Pub: 1470 Rue Crescent
- Ritz-Carlton Montreal: 1228 Sherbrooke St. W.
- Le Mas des Oliviers Resaurant: 1216 Bishop St.
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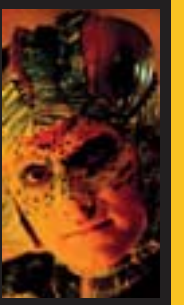

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Sweet tea

Sweet tea is the local specialty, but Alabama's remarkably generous licensing laws also mean that you can get on the booze pretty much at all times. This may or may not be a good thing. But if it is, there are plenty of bars along Dauphin Street to command your attention.

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Google now has bike maps

Bikers can check out the best route online, with detailed info on nine major cities

Cycling enthusiasts across Canada will soon be able to turn to Google for help with their next urban bike expedition.

The online information giant announced this week that it is introducing a Bike Directions feature to its popular Google Maps site, allowing users to highlight bike-friendly trails and roads across most major Canadian cities.

Google spokeswoman Wendy Rozeluk said the feature will be available countrywide, but more detailed route info will be available for nine major cities that shared their bike trail data with the company.

The cities are Ottawa, Gatineau, Que., Toronto, Waterloo, Ont. Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver and Kelowna, B.C..

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▶ Ottawa is one of the cities that has detailed biking information on Google Maps.

Users in those cities will be able to flag designated bike trails and select roads that feature bike-only lanes, while Canadians elsewhere will only be shown routes with lighter traffic volumes.

The Bike Directions feature will be officially launched later this week, Rozeluk said.

Bike Directions, which has been available in the United States since March, uses colour coding to flag routes that are safe for cyclists.

A dark green line indicates a bike-only trail, while a light green line represents a dedicated bike lane along a road, Google said.

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Grey Cup grub: Make it hearty

Homemade snacks will sustain your guests during the entire 98th annual game

What will you be feeding hungry guests at your Grey Cup party on Sunday?

Lukewarm delivered pizza or a savoury steaming bowl of homemade chili?

"Why don't we think outside the box (no pizza pun intended) and do something a bit different?" says Adrian Niman, chef and owner of the Food Dudes, a Toronto catering company whose staff are all under 28. They are making a name for themselves for creativity and staging events that are hip and fresh.

"I would get away from the traditional stuff," says the 26-year-old, who also owns the firm.

He studied food and hospitality at the University of Guelph and then trained at Toronto's North 44 Restaurant under celebrity chef Mark McEwan.

Niman travelled to Mallorca, Spain, where he apprenticed under Michelin Star chef Marc Fosh at the luxurious Reads Hotel.

He says he does think chili would be marvellous to serve football fans as well as "a lobster quesadilla and carrot chips instead of potato chips".

Niman says that he and his staff are finding that many of their clients are shying away from eating red meat. Consequently his firm is incorporating sustainable fish and shellfish into many of their offerings.

On game day, he is hosting a Grey Cup party at his Toronto condo for all his staff. "I am going to cook and let them take the day off and enjoy the game," he says.

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▶ Bubbly Potato Skins Dip is a great addition to any Grey Cup menu.

Fighting spirit

No gathering is complete without snacks. Here are some serving ideas:

- Design a buffet to resemble a concession stand to dispense the food and drinks.
- Use items like football helmets and shoulder pads to hold baskets or bowls of food. (You may want to clean them first!)
- Use Astroturf on your buffet table instead of a tablecloth.

Bubbly Potato Skins Dip

You can do some of the preparation for this recipe the day before to save time on the day of the big game.

Preparation:

1. In a bowl, combine 250 ml (1 cup) of the cheese, bacon, yogurt, sour cream, chopped green onions, corn starch, mustard and pepper. Spread into a shallow 1-l (4-cup) baking dish, smoothing top. (Can be covered and refrigerated for up to 1 day.)
2. Preheat oven to 180 C (350 F). Bake dip, uncovered, for 15 to 20 minutes or until hot and bubbling around edges. Stir and sprinkle with remaining cheese. Broil for about 3 minutes or until top is golden. Sprinkle with sliced green onions, if using.
3. Place dish on a platter and surround with potato wedges, vegetables, chips and/or pretzels for dipping. Makes 500 ml (2 cups).

Nutritional information per serving (when recipe serves 8): 141 calories, 8 g protein, 10 g fat, 5 g carbohydrates, 230 mg sodium.

Ingredients:

(Be sure yogurt and sour cream don't contain gelatin as they may separate when heated.)

- 325 ml (1 1/3 cups) shredded old cheddar or aged gouda cheese, divided
- 3 slices bacon, cooked crisp and finely chopped (plus extra for garnish, if desired)
- 250 ml (1 cup) plain yogurt (not fat-free)
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) sour cream (not fat-free)
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) finely chopped green onions
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) cornstarch
- 5 ml (1 tsp) Dijon or dry mustard
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) pepper
- Thinly sliced green onions (optional)
- Oven-baked potato wedges, raw vegetable pieces, potato chips, pretzels

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Falling back into old habits

ISTOCK PHOTOS

▶ Embrace your new old job if you find yourself once again in familiar territory.

Relearning the tedium of an old job can test the patience of the best employees ◗ What to do if you find yourself in familiar surroundings

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The most bewildering new job can be the old one — that front office welcome desk or highway hamburger stand you swore you'd never circle back to.

Tough times have a way of kicking ambitious young upstarts back to a re-entry level job at Square One, Inc.

What quicker way to nab rent, or relearn the tedium of a past existence?

Still, though career counselors concede how that déjà vu can be disorienting, it need not be devastating.

"When you go back to a previously held job, you can feel stuck, like, 'I can't seem to get out of here,'" says Barbara Frankel, a New York City-based Career Coach.

"But you have to put your feelings aside."

Start by emotionally investing yourself in the all-too-familiar drab right from Day One.

"Rather than saying to yourself, 'I'm better than this,' have pride in a job well done," says Maggie Mistal, host of Making a Living on Sirius Radio. "That's a lost art. You get something from it, even if the job itself doesn't have much power or status in it."

That said, settling into a pre-worn desk chair doesn't mean settling for it. If you don't re-think your long-term choices, you could trap yourself in a career loop.

"You have to know what your end goal is," Frankel emphasizes.

Once you've set some ambitions down, go for it — even if that requires moonlighting interning or studying on precious off hours.

"Stay career relevant by taking classes, networking, and continuing to job search in your field," Mistal encourages.

"You might also want to start a side business that does showcase your expertise."

For strivers stuck in a career loop — re-rehearsing rote motions from a drab past life — there's no side hustle quite like freelancing, she says.

"Having freelance work on your résumé will look better than a backwards career move," she says

Consider your co-workers

▶ **Put a plan in place** Before you backtrack to the place you once called work, reminisce on the people, pests, and petty tyrants you shared the space with. "If you had a good relationship before, you're going to get along well this time," Mistal notes, adding that, obviously, the reverse is true.

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SIRIUS RADIO MAKING A LIVING HOST MAGGIE MISTAL

FACEBOOK POSTS CAN HAUNT WORKERS

Workplace Law

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"The Complainants could not have a serious expectation of privacy when publishing comments on their Facebook websites and therefore the comments are damaging to the Employer's business."

So concluded B.C. Labour Relations Board in upholding the dismissal of two employees fired for Facebook comments they posted about their employer, in an important decision released last month.

That case should give employees pause, since many too easily confuse freedom of speech with freedom from workplace consequences. Here are a few ways employees can be fired for Facebook use at work.

▶ You can't always hide behind your firewall at work.

Spending an inordinate amount of time on Facebook while at work is tantamount to theft of an employer's time, which can amount to cause for dismissal. In these circumstances, seldom is Facebook being used exclusively for business purposes.

When Facebook postings reveal unsavoury characteristics, employees can be fired. I've had two such cases. In one, the employee's pictures of her messy workstation irked her employer so much, she was immediately dismissed. In the other, a large retail chain fired a store manager after he posted a link to a video of himself that was taken when he was off-duty, but in company uniform.

Comments about a company's clients or products can lead to dismissal. Given the value placed on confidential information, courts are more likely to respect an employer's decision to fire an employee whose postings compromised, or even potentially compromised, a competitive advantage.

Criminal laws can also be invoked if employees harass or intimidate co-workers via Facebook. These employees can end up surfing the classifieds for a criminal defence lawyer, as well as for a new job.

But it's not just Facebook use while at work that can land you in my office seeking legal advice. Facebook profiles and postings created and maintained outside of working hours and on employees' personal time can quickly derail an employee's career, if the content brings his or her employer's reputation into disrepute.

Here are some tips to keep employees out of hot water: Do not post "casually" about your job or adversely comment about other employees or your boss. Your employer can and will often monitor what you've written.

Familiarize yourself with any computer use policies in place.

While some personal web use is often permitted at work, much is forbidden.

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Is the Internet a benefit or a risk to your young child?

- Is there an appropriate age for kids to be surfing the net, and accessing social networks and emails?
- Online safety experts say young kids — while learning on the Web — need to be supervised by their parents

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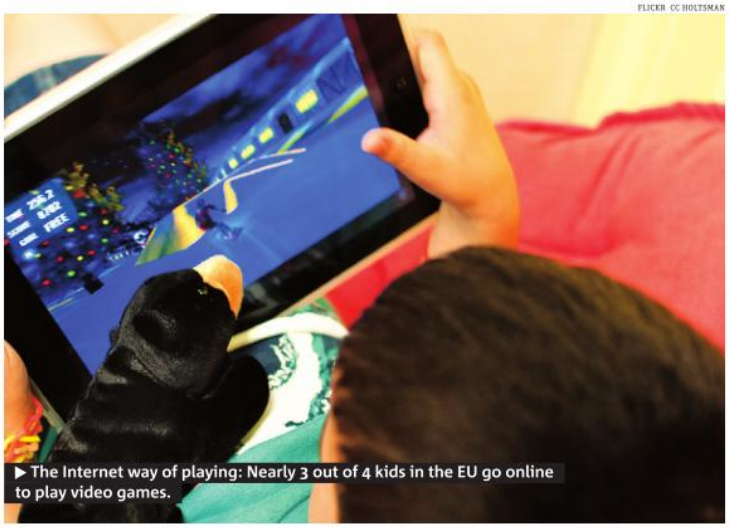


▶ The Internet way of playing: Nearly 3 out of 4 kids in the EU go online to play video games.

▶ Child and "mom."

It is hard to imagine life without the Internet, along with the freedom and possibilities it has opened up. But how much freedom do you allow your kids when he or she is online?

Though worrisome to some, children as young as five are going online without parental supervision, according to Ofcom, Britain's chief media regulator. Even with talk of cyber bullying and paedophilia, many parents have no protection measures in place. Kids ages eight to 11 who have web access in their bedrooms has jumped from nine per cent to 16 per cent in just two years, the British survey found.

Despite this, some online experts talk about the need for weighing up the benefits against the dangers of the Internet. Sonia Livingstone, a professor of social psychology at the London School of Economics, stresses the many applications the Internet has in a child's education.

In her Europe-wide 'EU Kids Online' report — based on over 23,000 interviews with kids in 25 European nations — Livingstone wrote there are benefits and drawbacks.

"Children use the Internet for a range of things, which are often beneficial including schoolwork, games and videos. So while it is worrying that some children have been upset by things online, it's important to balance this against the benefits and to understand that risk doesn't always lead to harm."

Other Internet gurus say that often the tools for protection are available to parents, but their down understanding of the world online may be lacking.

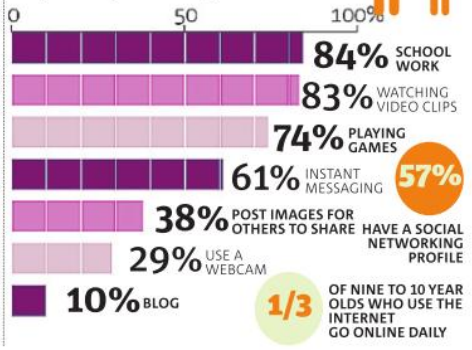
"The key is to know the control tools available for Internet services, and especially in parental monitoring of children who use these services," says safety expert Tito de Morais, the man behind the Portuguese Kids safe on the Internet project (Miudos SegurosNa.Net).

Morais often gets requests not only from parents but also from adults because of their own negative experiences on the web.

"Parental monitoring of the online lives of our kids is as important as the monitoring of their lives offline," says Morais. "Regarding personal data and photos, I can teach my children not to put it online, but I'm not clear what their 'friends' do. Most requests for help I receive are exactly the result of the use of others' personal data from persons who are known to the victim."

What they do online

The EU Kids Online report published in October 2010 shows that Europe's children (nine to 16) do many diverse things on the Internet.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29% USE A WEBCAM
10% BLOG
57% HAVE A SOCIAL NETWORKING PROFILE
1/3 OF NINE TO 10 YEAR OLDS WHO USE THE INTERNET GO ONLINE DAILY

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"If families choose to ignore the dominant issue of the Internet, young children will quickly establish it as their principal, every way of interaction, expression and recreation."
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3 Texas Rangers outfielder Josh Hamilton was the runaway winner of the American League's Most Valuable Player award.
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Whitecaps forced to play waiting game

With 1st pick, Portland holds the hammer in expansion draft

The Portland Timbers know who they're taking first overall in today's MLS expansion draft.

The Vancouver Whitecaps will have to wait and see. And then react.

But both teams know they will be competing for the same talent. Unlike recent years when Toronto, Seattle and Philadelphia came into Major League Soccer, more than one team is picking over the league.

"It's definitely less than ideal," said Timbers general manager Gavin Wilkinson. "I think the average team has picked maybe three, four starters out of the expansion (draft), so you generally halve that number. If you get two, you've done well. And if those two go on and do extremely well, it's been a productive expansion draft."

Each of the current 16 clubs can protect 11 players, with some young talent and designated players with no-trade clauses also sheltered from the draft. Teams can lose no more than two players.

There are some big-name and big-ticket players available, like Chicago's Freddie Ljungberg (whose salary was listed at $1.3 million US this season), Toronto's Julian de Guzman ($1.72 million), Seattle's Blaise Nkufo ($480,000) and Philadelphia's Fred ($282,000).

Canadians

- Available Canadian players include goalkeeper Pat Onstad of Houston and Greg Sutton of New York.

But Portland and Vancouver will probably be looking for reasonably priced young talent that can help them grow on the pitch or assets that can be turned around off it.

And the deals will come sooner than later.

"We do not want to relocate a player and their family only to turn around and trade them," Wilkinson said.

"So any trades we'd want to make happen, we would like to put those in place very, very quickly.

"There are assets out there that maybe aren't as valuable to us as they are to others."
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▶ Chicago's Freddie Ljungberg is a big-name player available in today's MLS expansion draft.

Opinion

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IT'S TIME TO BREAK UP THE SEDINS

So the Canucks are holding down the final Western Conference playoff spot after 20 games and would be out of the playoffs if points percentage were the measure.

Not exactly what most expected — including us here at The Hockey News (we picked them to win the West, then the Stanley Cup). My suggestion: break up the twins.

Now, before you go trying to find my home address, take a deep breath and hear me out.

Entering last night's NHL action, the stats said the Canucks are tied with four teams for 12th in goals-for per game and 13th in goals against, are first in power-play percentage and fifth in penalty killing.

Doesn't take a genius to see Vancouver is pretty mediocre 5-on-5 and pretty darn good on specialty teams.

The Sedins are doing what they always do, Daniel is top five in goals scored and Henrik is leading the league in assists.

But Alexandre Burrows, Mikael Samuelsson, Mason Raymond and to a certain extent Ryan Kesler are off to slow starts.

The first three totalled 90 goals last season and are on pace for 39; Kesler is scoring, but is on pace for 20 fewer points.

I know Burrows is 10 games into a return from summer shoulder surgery, which threw the top two lines off to begin the campaign, but a quarter of the season is gone and every point counts in a league where you can move up the standings with a loss. Time is of the essence.

I also know the Sedins are über-skilled, have a preternatural ability to find one another on the ice and are arguably the best duo in the NHL. But this is about getting the players around them going.

I'm not talking about a long-term change here. And I'm not proposing messing with that top-ranked power play. I'm just saying, flip-flop Henrik with Kesler 5-on-5 and have the former centre Burrows and Raymond.

Just see what happens. Maybe Henrik's passing ability lights a fire on the blades of guys not named Daniel; maybe he gives them their swagger back.

Maybe, too, Henrik will find his assertiveness as a shooter.

He showed last season he can score, and the twins were at the top of their games when that was the case. But he's back to his old ways with two goals and 22 assists, on pace for fewer tallies than faceoff/defensive specialist Manny Malhotra.

Worst case, the split is a failed, short-lived experiment. Best case, the Canucks get back to the high-flying team that finished third in the league in 5-on-5 goals last season.

Call me crazy, call me whatever you like, but break up the twins. Just for a while.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Philadelphia	22	14	6	2	0	78	55	30	9-4-0-0	5-2-2-0	7-2-1-0	W2
d-Washington	22	14	6	1	1	74	64	30	10-1-0-1	4-5-1-0	6-2-1-1	L3
d-Montreal	21	13	7	1	0	53	42	27	7-4-1-0	6-3-0-0	6-4-0-0	L1
Tampa Bay	21	12	7	2	0	65	65	26	5-2-1-0	7-5-1-0	5-5-0-0	W4
Pittsburgh	22	12	8	2	0	69	59	26	5-5-1-0	7-3-1-0	6-3-1-0	W3
NY Rangers	22	12	9	1	0	65	60	25	5-6-1-0	7-3-0-0	6-4-0-0	W2
Boston	19	11	6	0	2	55	38	24	4-4-0-2	7-2-0-0	4-4-0-2	L2
Ottawa	21	10	10	1	0	52	67	21	6-4-0-0	4-6-1-0	6-4-0-0	W1
Atlanta	21	9	9	1	2	68	73	21	5-5-0-1	4-4-1-1	4-5-0-1	W2
Carolina	20	9	9	0	2	63	68	20	5-3-0-1	4-6-0-1	4-4-0-2	L2
Toronto	20	8	9	1	2	47	55	19	6-4-1-1	2-5-0-1	3-5-0-2	W1
Buffalo	22	8	11	3	0	58	68	19	3-7-1-0	5-4-1-0	5-4-1-0	L1
Florida	19	9	10	0	0	52	48	18	5-3-0-0	4-7-0-0	5-5-0-0	L1
New Jersey	21	6	13	1	1	41	65	14	2-5-1-1	4-8-0-0	3-6-0-1	W1
NY Islanders	20	4	12	2	2	44	71	12	2-4-0-1	2-8-2-1	0-8-1-1	L13

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Detroit	18	13	3	1	1	66	48	28	9-1-1-1	4-2-0-0	8-1-1-0	W1
d-Phoenix	21	11	5	4	1	62	59	27	5-2-2-1	6-3-2-0	7-1-1-1	W7
d-Colorado	20	12	7	1	0	72	60	25	6-4-0-0	5-4-1-0	7-3-0-0	W4
Columbus	19	13	6	0	0	55	44	26	6-5-0-0	7-1-0-0	7-3-0-0	W4
Los Angeles	20	13	7	0	0	61	49	26	8-1-0-0	5-6-0-0	6-4-0-0	L1
St. Louis	19	11	5	1	2	52	51	25	8-0-0-1	3-5-1-1	6-3-0-1	W2
Chicago	23	11	10	1	1	71	67	24	5-7-0-0	6-3-1-1	4-5-0-1	W1
Vancouver	20	10	7	1	2	58	56	23	6-2-0-1	4-5-1-1	5-4-1-0	L4
Anaheim	23	10	10	2	1	57	69	23	7-3-0-1	3-7-2-0	5-3-2-0	L5
Minnesota	19	10	7	0	2	46	47	22	6-4-0-1	4-3-0-1	5-5-0-0	L1
San Jose	19	9	6	4	0	55	52	22	6-3-2-0	3-3-2-0	4-3-3-0	L3
Dallas	19	10	8	0	1	57	57	21	7-3-0-1	3-5-0-0	5-4-0-1	L2
Nashville	19	9	7	3	0	47	51	21	3-1-3-0	6-6-0-0	4-6-0-0	L1
Calgary	20	8	11	1	0	59	61	17	5-5-0-0	3-6-1-0	2-7-1-0	L2
Edmonton	20	5	11	1	3	49	82	14	2-5-0-1	3-6-1-2	2-6-1-1	L1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's result
Phoenix 5 Edmonton 0
Monday's results
Ottawa 3 Los Angeles 2
Toronto 4 Dallas 1
N.Y. Rangers 2 Calgary 1
Philadelphia 3 Montreal 2
Columbus 2 Nashville 0
New Jersey 5 Washington 0
Pittsburgh 3 Florida 2
Tampa Bay 3 Boston 1
Tonight's games
(All times Eastern)
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Columbus at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Chicago at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's game
Colorado at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

COYOTES 5, OILERS 0

First Period
1. Phoenix, Hanzal 5 (Ra.Whitney, Schlemko) 0:48
Penalty — Horcoff Edm (holding) 10:15.
Second Period
2. Phoenix, Wolski 4 (Stempniak, Ekman-Larsson) 2:00
3. Phoenix, Stempniak 6 (Belanger, Schlemko) 17:07 (pp)
Penalties — Schlemko Pho (hooking) 7:55, Cogliano Edm (delay of game) 16:06.
Third Period
4. Phoenix, Hanzal 6 (Morris, Doan) 13:45
5. Phoenix, Stempniak 7 (Belanger, Wolski) 19:09
Penalty — Upshall Pho (holding) 5:15.
Shots

Edmonton	4	12	7	23
Phoenix	16	7	11	34

Goal — Edmonton: Dubnyk (L,1-1-3); Phoenix: Bryzgalov (W,10-2-5). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Edmonton: 0-2; Phoenix: 1-2.
Att. — 9,354 (17,135) at Glendale, Ariz.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Stamkos, TB	20	15	35
Crosby, Pgh	15	20	35
St. Louis, TB	8	19	27
Semin, Wash	14	12	26
Ovechkin, Wash	10	16	26
B.Richards, Dal	10	15	25
D.Sedin, Vcr	12	12	24
C.Stewart, Col	11	13	24
M.Richards, Pha	9	15	24
H.Sedin, Vcr	2	22	24
Giroux, Pha	12	11	23
Perry, Ana	10	13	23
Roy, Buf	9	14	23
E.Staal, Car	9	14	23
Sharp, Chi	12	10	22
Eriksson, Dal	9	13	22
P.Kane, Chi	8	14	22
Selanne, Ana	8	14	22
Backstrom, Wash	7	15	22
Datsyuk, Det	7	15	22
Hejduk, Col	7	15	22
J.Williams, LA	9	12	21
Getzlaf, Ana	7	14	21
Ladd, Atl	7	14	21
Malkin, Pgh	7	14	21
P.Stastny, Col	8	12	20
Plekanec, Mtl	7	13	20
Zetterberg, Det	7	13	20
Kopitar, LA	7	13	20
Lidstrom, Det	3	17	20
Liles, Col	3	17	20
Dubinsky, NYR	12	7	19
Ryan, Ana	9	10	19
Neal, Dal	8	11	19
Byfuglien, Atl	7	12	19
Heatley, SJ	7	12	19
Toews, Chi	9	9	18
Alfredsson, Ott	8	10	18
Horton, Bos	8	10	18
Marleau, SJ	8	10	18
MacArthur, Tor	7	11	18
Letang, Pgh	3	15	18
Visnovsky, Ana	3	15	18
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J.Carter, Pha	10	7	17
Lucic, Bos	10	7	17
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WEEK 22

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GROUP A

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
Tottenham	4	2	1	1	12	8	7
Inter Milan	4	2	1	1	11	8	7
Twente	4	1	2	1	6	7	5
Werder Bremen	4	0	2	2	3	9	2

Today's games
Inter Milan vs. Twente, 2:45 p.m.
Tottenham vs. Werder Bremen, 2:45 p.m.

GROUP B

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
Lyon	4	3	0	1	9	5	9
Schalke	4	2	1	1	5	2	7
Benfica	4	2	0	2	6	7	6
Hapoel Tel Aviv	4	0	1	3	2	8	1

Today's games
Benfica vs. Lyon, 2:45 p.m.
Hapoel Tel-Aviv vs. Benfica, 2:45 p.m.

GROUP C

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
Manchester Utd	4	3	1	0	5	0	10
Valencia	4	2	1	1	8	2	7
Glasgow Rangers	4	1	2	1	2	4	5
Buraspor	4	0	0	4	0	9	0

Today's games
Glasgow Rangers vs. Manchester United, 2:45 p.m.
Valencia vs. Bursaspor. 2:45 p.m.

GROUP D

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
Barcelona	4	2	2	0	9	3	8
Copenhagen	4	2	1	1	4	3	7
Rubin Kazan	4	0	3	1	1	2	3
Panathinaikos	4	0	2	2	1	7	2

Today's games
Rubin Kazan vs. Copenhagen, 12:30 p.m.
Panathinaikos vs. Barcelona, 2:45 p.m.

GROUP E

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
x-Bayern Munich	5	4	0	1	11	6	12
AS Roma	5	3	0	2	9	8	9
Basel	5	2	0	3	8	8	6
Cluj	5	1	0	4	5	11	3

x-advanced to second round
Yesterday's results
Basel 1 Cluj 0
AS Roma 3 Bayern Munich 0

GROUP F

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
x-Chelsea	5	5	0	0	14	3	15
x-Marseille	5	3	0	2	11	3	9
Spartak Moscow	5	2	0	3	5	9	6
Zilina	5	0	0	5	2	17	0

x-advanced to second round
Today's games
Spartak Moscow 0, Marseille 3
Chelsea 2, Zilina 1

GROUP G

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
x-Real Madrid	5	4	1	0	11	2	13
x-AC Milan	5	2	2	1	7	5	8
Ajax	5	1	1	3	4	10	4
Auxerre	5	1	0	4	3	8	3

x-advanced to second round
Yesterday's results
Ajax 0 Real Madrid 4
Auxerre 0 AC Milan 2

GROUP H

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	PTS
Shakhtar Donetsk	5	4	0	1	10	6	12
Arsenal	5	3	0	2	15	6	9
Braga	5	3	0	2	5	9	9
Partizan Belgrade	5	0	0	5	1	10	0

Yesterday's results
Braga 2 Arsenal 0
Partizan Belgrade 0, Shakhtar Donetsk 3

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	10	4	.714	—
New York	7	8	.467	3½
New Jersey	5	9	.357	5
Toronto	5	9	.357	5
Philadelphia	3	11	.214	7

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	9	4	.692	—
Miami	8	6	.571	1½
Atlanta	8	7	.533	2
Washington	5	8	.385	4
Charlotte	5	9	.357	4½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	7	5	.583	—
Indiana	7	6	.538	½
Cleveland	5	8	.385	2½
Milwaukee	5	8	.385	2½
Detroit	5	9	.357	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	12	1	.923	—
New Orleans	11	2	.846	1
Dallas	9	4	.692	3
Memphis	5	9	.357	7½
Houston	3	10	.231	9

NORTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	10	4	.714	—
Utah	10	5	.667	½
Denver	8	6	.571	2
Portland	8	6	.571	2
Minnesota	4	11	.267	6½

PACIFIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	13	2	.867	—
Golden State	7	7	.500	5½
Phoenix	7	7	.500	5½
Sacramento	4	9	.308	8
L.A. Clippers	2	13	.133	11

Last night's results
Indiana 100 Cleveland 89
New Jersey 107 Atlanta 101 (OT)
Washington 116 Philadelphia 114 (OT)
New York 110 Charlotte 107
Dallas 88 Detroit 84
L.A. Lakers 98 Chicago 91
Monday's results
Boston 99 Atlanta 76
Indiana 93 Miami 77
Oklahoma City 117 Minnesota 107
Phoenix 123 Houston 116
San Antonio 106 Orlando 97
Utah 94 Sacramento 83
Denver 106 Golden State 89
L.A. Clippers 99 New Orleans 95
Tonight's games
(All times Eastern)
New York at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Memphis, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at Utah, 9 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Washington at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

SCORING AVERAGE

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Durant, OKC	12	107	104	336	28.0
Bryant, LAL	14	120	100	359	25.6
Ellis, GOL	14	136	65	357	25.5
Anthony, DEN	14	127	90	356	25.4
Rose, CHI	11	109	45	277	25.2
Nowitzki, DAL	12	112	64	293	24.4
Gordon, LAC	13	102	90	307	23.6
James, MIA	14	108	99	329	23.5
Martin, HOU	13	86	105	304	23.4
Westbrook, OKC	14	102	117	325	23.2
Stoudemire, NYK	14	119	81	324	23.1

Not including last night's games

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE
TEXAS RANGERS—Named Thad Bosley hitting coach.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
NEW YORK METS—Signed manager Terry Collins to a two-year contact.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with 1B Aubrey Huff on a two-year contract.

CAN-AM LEAGUE

WORCESTER TORNADOES—Acquired C-1B Josh Banda from River City (Frontier) for a player to be named.

BASKETBALL

NBA

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER—Signed C Nick Collison to a multiyear contract extension.

FOOTBALL

NFL

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed S Gerald Alexander. waived WR Devin Thomas. Signed QB Keith Null to the practice squad. Placed LB Sean Ware on the practice squad injured reserve.
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed CB Fred Bennett. Placed DT Tank Johnson on injured reserve.

HOCKEY

AHL

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Acquired C Ryan Carter from Anaheim for F Stefan Chaput and F Matt Kennedy.
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned RW Mike Blunden to Springfield (AHL).
LOS ANGELES KINGS—Reassigned D Jake Muzzin to Manchester (AHL). Recalled D Alec Martinez from Manchester.
MINNESOTA WILD—Claimed F Patrick O'Sullivan off waivers from Carolina.
NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Recalled D Travis Hamonic from Bridgeport (AHL).
NEW YORK RANGERS—Acquired D Stu Bickel from Anaheim for D Nigel Williams.
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Signed LW Michael Ryan to a one-year contract and assigned him to Adirondack (AHL).
PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled D Oliver Ekman-Larsson from San Antonio (AHL). Placed C Kyle Turris on injured reserve.

AHL

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS—Aassigned F Justin Taylor to Kalamazoo (ECHL). ECHL ELMIRA JACKALS—Announced F Michael Dubuc was returned to the team by Rochester (AHL) and F Ryan Hillier was returned to the team by Syracuse (AHL).

LACROSSE

NLL

BUFFALO BANDITS—Signed F Tracey Kelusky to a one-year contract.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE MVP

2010 - Josh Hamilton, Texas
2009 - Joe Mauer, Minnesota
2008 - Dustin Pedroia, Boston
2007 - Alex Rodriguez, New York
2006 - Justin Morneau, Minnesota
2005 - Alex Rodriguez, New York
2004 - Vladimir Guerrero, Anaheim
2003 - Alex Rodriguez, Texas
2002 - Miguel Tejada, Oakland
2001 - Ichiro Suzuki, Seattle
2000 - Jason Giambi, Oakland
1999 - Ivan Rodriguez, Texas

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	8	2	0	.800	238	177
New England	8	2	0	.800	289	242
Miami	5	5	0	.500	172	208
Buffalo	2	8	0	.200	213	276

SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Jacksonville	6	4	0	.600	220	270
Indianapolis	6	4	0	.600	268	216
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	257	198
Houston	4	6	0	.400	244	287

NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	7	3	0	.700	233	178
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	235	165
Cleveland	3	7	0	.300	192	206
Cincinnati	2	8	0	.200	215	262

WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	6	4	0	.600	243	207
Oakland	5	5	0	.500	238	223
San Diego	5	5	0	.500	274	211
Denver	3	7	0	.300	217	287

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	3	0	.700	284	226
N.Y. Giants	6	4	0	.600	253	220
Washington	5	5	0	.500	202	245
Dallas	3	7	0	.300	229	271

SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	8	2	0	.800	256	192
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	235	170
Tampa Bay	7	3	0	.700	209	206
Carolina	1	9	0	.100	117	252

NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	7	3	0	.700	191	146
Green Bay	7	3	0	.700	252	146
Minnesota	3	7	0	.300	172	226
Detroit	2	8	0	.200	234	237

WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	5	5	0	.500	185	233
St. Louis	4	6	0	.400	177	198
San Francisco	3	7	0	.300	160	219
Arizona	3	7	0	.300	188	292

WEEK 11

Monday's result
San Diego 35 Denver 14
Sunday's results
Atlanta 34 St. Louis 17
Baltimore 37 Carolina 13
Buffalo 49 Cincinnati 31
Dallas 35 Detroit 19
Green Bay 31 Minnesota 3
Jacksonville 24 Cleveland 20
Kansas City 31 Arizona 13
New England 31 Indianapolis 28
New Orleans 34 Seattle 19
N.Y. Jets 30 Houston 27
Philadelphia 27 N.Y. Giants 17
Pittsburgh 35 Oakland 3
Tampa Bay 21 San Francisco 0
Washington 19 Tennessee 16 (OT)

WEEK 12

Tomorrow's games
(All times Eastern)
New England at Detroit, 12:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 28
Green Bay at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Miami at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 4:15 p.m.
St. Louis at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 4:15 p.m.
San Diego at Indianapolis, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 29
San Francisco at Arizona, 8:30 p.m.

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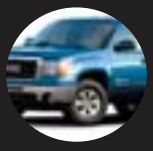
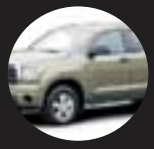
By comparison

GMC Sierra
Base price: $27,700
Powerful V8 engines; optional Denali package adds luxury.



Ram 1500
Base price: $27,900
Base V6 upgrade expected soon. Everyone loves the "Hemi" V8.

Toyota Tundra
Base price: $27,850
Solidly built, with loads of standard content in an appealing package.



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Make no mistake — Ford's latest powertrain lineup is a story of four new engines

▶ Ford has unleashed a drastically different powertrain lineup that allows you to travel further on a tank of gas and tote a heavier payload.

Ford makes a power play with F-150

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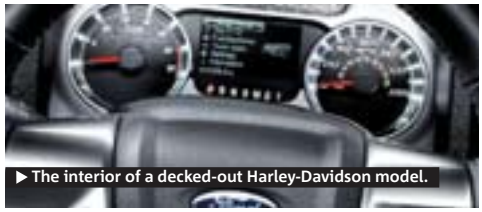
The 2011 F-150 might look the same on the outside, but between the front fenders it's a whole new truck game.

In one lightning-strike move, Ford's top-selling hauler unleashes a drastically different powertrain lineup that, depending on your selection, allows you to travel further on a tank of gas, tote a heavier payload and pull a heavier travel trailer. There are also more safety and convenience features.

It's common for automakers to refresh their more popular models after a two- or three-year period, but for Ford to bring out a quartet of new V6 and V8 engines is nothing short of astonishing. It will also likely send the competition back to their respective drawing boards to devise some sort of response.



▶ The interior of a decked-out Harley-Davidson model.

Reducing fuel consumption is important to everyone, but it's of particular importance to truck owners. These normally thirsty rigs tend to consume more than their fair share of petroleum products. Obviously any move to reel in consumption is money ahead for truckers.

On this front, Ford appears to have all the bases covered, although there are no hybrid or diesel powertrains in the mix.

For light-duty use, the F-150 is offered with a base 3.7-litre V6 that provides 302 horsepower and 278 pound-feet of torque. The 3.7 is the first V6 available in a full-size Ford pickup since the 2008 model year.

For heavy lifting and off-roading duties, the most muscular engine in the F-150 garage is a 6.2-litre V8 that puts out 411 horsepower and a road-ripping 434 pound-feet of torque.

With plenty of powertrain choices to suit a multitude of work and play applications, the F-150 stands to gain considerable ground — and credibility — in the pickup segment.

A new game

What you should know about the Ford F-150:

- **Type:** Two- or four-door full-size pickup truck
- **Engines (hp):** 3.7-litre DOHC V6 (302); 5.0-litre DOHC V8 (360); 6.2-litre SOHC V8 (411); 3.5-litre DOHC V6, twin-turbocharged (365)
- **Transmissions:** Six-speed automatic
- **Market Position:** Ford's powertrains have not kept up with those from GM, Chrysler and Toyota, but with four new engines for 2011, it's a whole new truck game
- **Safety:** Front airbags; side-impact airbags; side-curtain airbags; anti-lock brakes; traction control; stability control
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 13.7/9.3 (3.7, est.); base price (incl. destination) $21,600

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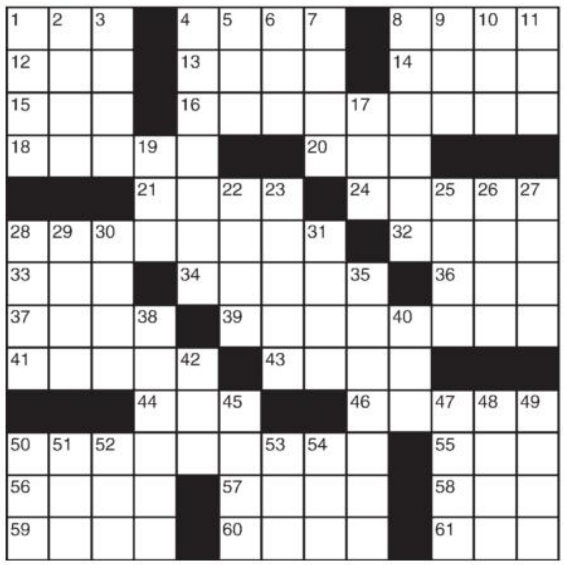

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8 Prayer ending
12 "Hail!"
13 Hodgepodge
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18 Bread tidbit
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21 Actress Jessica
24 Dissolves
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36 Alias abbr.
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46 Travelocity mascot
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57 Appoint-ment
58 Tackle the slopes
59 Related (to)
60 Cold War initials
61 "— the fields we go"

Down
1 Body powder
2 Confirm
3 Suitor
4 Shoemaker's dessert?
5 Foreman foe
6 Tractor-trailer
7 "That's how I —"
8 — Junction, Ariz.
9 Make faces for the camera
10 Ostrich's cousin
11 Scot's denial
17 Dine
19 Crazy
22 Entice-ment
23 Island greeting
25 Bedouin
26 Easily edited web-site
27 Catch suddenly
28 Tournament situa-tions
29 Tittle
30 Agana's island
31 Use a teaspoon
35 Suppressed laugh
38 Mitigate
40 Neb. neighbor
42 Pub order
45 Pakistan's language
47 Approximately
48 Karaoke need
49 Eastern potentate
50 Biz deg.
51 Sort
52 — generis
53 — -relief
54 "Monty Python" opener

▶ Yesterday's answer

C	A	P	S		L	I	M	P		S	H	E		
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Sudoku

		7	8	6		3		5
2		5	4					1
	9							
6		2			3			
		8				6		
			7			5		2
							1	
4					5	8		9
8		3		9	1	2		

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

5	7	6	4	1	3	8	9	2
8	3	9	6	2	5	7	4	1
1	4	2	8	7	9	3	6	5
2	6	5	3	9	8	1	7	4
4	8	7	1	5	2	9	3	6
9	1	3	7	4	6	2	5	8
3	9	4	5	8	1	6	2	7
7	2	8	9	6	4	5	1	3
6	5	1	2	3	7	4	8	9

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Venus, planet of harmony, in your opposite sign will help you get along with colleagues today. For once, they don't see you as pushy or overly concerned with getting results.

♉ Taurus April 21-May Read between the lines and try to imagine what someone's motives may be before judging them on their words or actions. It could be that they are caught between a rock and a hard place.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Be decisive. You don't have much time to play with today, so decide what your number one aim is and go for it. Personally and professionally there's a lot up for grabs – so grab it.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Take good care of your health today because the planets warn you could do yourself damage if you push too hard. That applies to exercise as well as to work: take it a step at a time.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Mars in the most dynamic area of your chart will help you get something finished. You have taken too much time already, so now step up a gear and get it out of the way. Then have fun.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If people ask for your opinion today you must be honest, even if what you have to tell them is not what they were hoping to hear. Anyway, they should know by now you are not the sort to pull punches.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 A lot of changes taking place at the moment are for the better. But there is one change you still have doubts about and those doubts will increase today. Start looking for an exit clause.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Get your financial house in order, quickly. Fortunately, with both the Sun and Mars moving through the money area of your chart, you are in one of your imperious moods. You'll make it happen.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You need to hurry things along today. People have been dragging their feet. If you don't get a grip of the situation they will hold you back till the end of the week.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Partnerships of a romantic nature, should go well for you today. It's not true that Capricorn lacks passion and you will go out of your way to prove it over the next 24 hours.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Lady Luck is on your side and you would be a fool not to take advantage. If someone points out the possibilities of a new venture you should give it some serious thought. There is serious money to be made.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Show employers and others in authority what you can do. Everyone knows you've got an artistic side, but you're pretty good at business too.

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